

# Petrified Forest National Park

Petrified Forest National Park  
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## Educational Fee Waiver Application

Name of Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Official in charge of group \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Students \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Faculty/Chaperons \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Vehicles \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Course Title, Catalog Number, Description, Subject Matter, Credits

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### 2. Explain the educational purpose. What aspect, feature, or resource of Petrified Forest National Park is to be studied? (be specific)

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3. I understand that the Code of Federal Regulations allows fee waivers to educational institutions for educational purposes only. I hereby certify that the above detailed trip meets these requirements and request that fees be waived. Current official documentation of recognition as an educational institution by a Federal, State, or local government entity, or other evidence attesting to educational status is attached (eg. accreditation letter, educational tax exempt letter).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE APPROVAL

What Documentation included? \_\_\_\_\_

NPS Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

*Each vehicle must present a copy of this fee waiver when arriving at the park's entrance station.*

# PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

Fee Management Fax 928 - 524 – 6781  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR A FEE WAIVER

For an uncomplicated application process, submit these at least 4 weeks prior to your park visit:

- ☐ A copy of the course description from your school catalog.
- ☐ A copy of the course curriculum or lesson plan. (Only the part that describes your studies in the Petrified Forest or Painted Desert. Do not give a travel itinerary.)
- ☐ **Documentation** of your Official Recognition as an Educational Institution
- ☐ The completed application form.

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE REGULATIONS (NPS 22)

These are the guidelines to be followed in granting fee waivers. Bona fide educational or scientific institutions may qualify if the following conditions are met. Your application package must contain all of the following.

1. **Current official documentation of recognition as an educational institution by a Federal, State or Local government entity.** Generally, the governmental body is the one that is responsible for education/accreditation activities. Also acceptable: **Current official documentation attesting to an educational tax exemption by the State tax authority or the Internal Revenue Service.** It is insufficient to state or imply your accreditation on official letterhead. **Your fee waiver CANNOT be processed without one of these documents submitted with your application.**
2. There must be a direct relationship between the visit purpose and the use of the Park. The visit must be to study some aspect/resource specific to the Petrified Forest or the Painted Desert. **An explanation of your educational objectives and how they relate to park resources is required.** (Course outlines, lesson plans, or a curriculum copy meet this requirement.)
3. The applicant is **providing educational credit hours based on a specific course of instruction.** (This requirement can be met by providing a copy of the catalog description with the course number and credits, or an outline of student work required.)

## **FEE WAIVERS WILL NOT BE ISSUED AT THE ENTRANCE STATION**

**Each vehicle needs a copy of the fee waiver.**

Organizations that are generally considered as service, civic, fraternal, or church groups usually do NOT qualify for the educational fee waiver. (e.g. Scouting, Rotary, Elks, and so forth) If the visit is for recreational, sight-seeing, tourist purposes the group does not qualify. School tours that are not for credit usually do NOT qualify.

Fees for an “organized non - commercial” group:

- ☐ Children 16 years of age and younger do not pay.
- ☐ The driver and one chaperon per vehicle do not pay.
- ☐ Holders of National Park Passports and their immediate family (spouse, parents, children) do not pay.  
Includes: Golden Age, Golden Access, Golden Eagle, the National Park Pass.
- ☐ All other individuals 17 years of age and older are charged \$5.00 per person.

Fees for commercial groups.

Coach \$150.00, minibus \$60.00, van \$50.00, sedan \$25.00 + \$5.00 per person.